

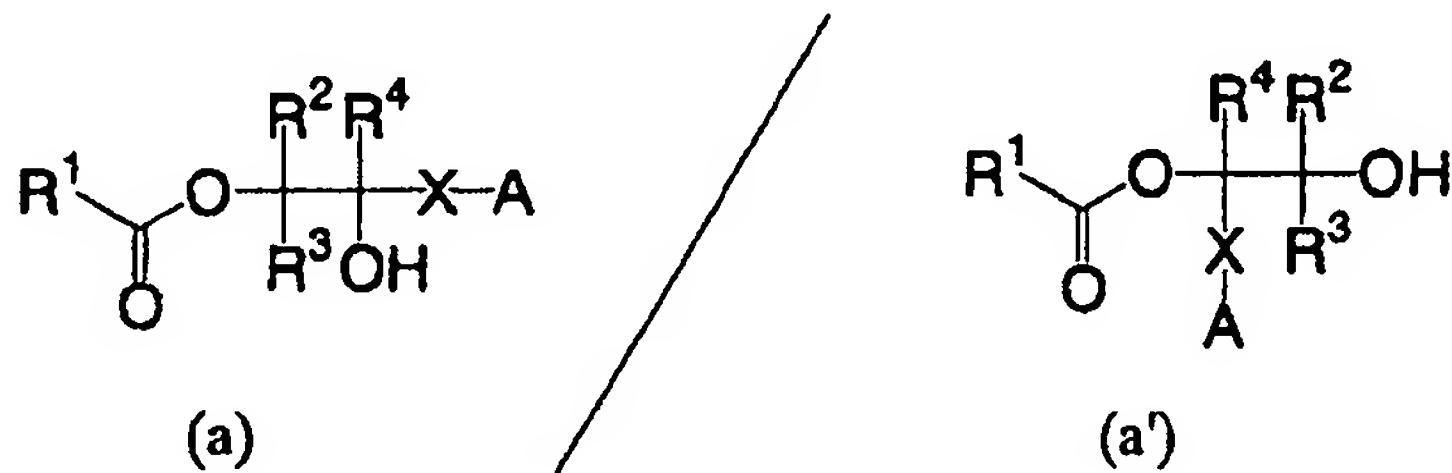
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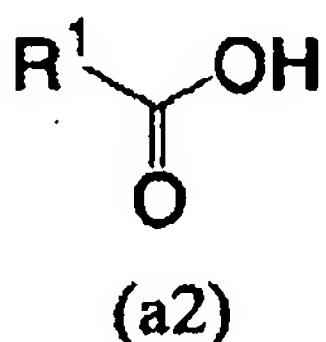
This invention provides a process for producing of a silicone compound which includes a synthesis reaction of a silicone compound represented by the following formulas (a) and/or (a'),

[Formula 3]



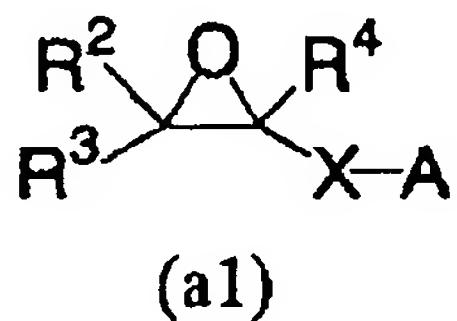
by reacting a carboxylic acid represented by the following formula (a2)

Formula 2



to an epoxy silane represented by the following formula (a1)

[Formula 1]



in presence of a metal salt of the carboxylic acid represented by the general formula (a2), characterized in that the reaction is carried out in presence of 0.05 wt% or more water in said reaction system. [[()]]Here, A denotes siloxanyl group. R^1 denotes a substituent with 1 to 20 carbons having a polymerizable group. R^2 to R^4 respectively and independently denote hydrogen, a

substituted or unsubstituted substituent with 1 to 20 carbons, or -X-A. X denotes a substituted or unsubstituted divalent substituent with 1 to 20 carbons. [D]]